

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The applicant thanks the examiner for the interview with the undersigned on November 4, 2004 at which the Hobert reference was discussed. Claims in accordance with that discussion are submitted herewith.

In view of these considerations, it is respectfully submitted that the rejection of the claims should be considered as no longer tenable with respect to the claims 1 and 4 through 6, and should be withdrawn.

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Respectfully submitted,



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